

Ruston Chases Funeral Auto; Finds Alcohol

250 Gallons Seized After
25-Minute Pursuit in the
Crowded Streets of Red
Hook Section, Brooklyn

Broadway Cafe Is Raided

Stage and Screen Folk See
Fruitless Search; Banker
on Stand in Paradise Case

An undertaker's wagon containing 250 gallons of reprocessed denatured alcohol was captured yesterday by District Attorney Ruston, of Brooklyn, after a twenty-five minute automobile chase through crowded streets of the Red Hook section. The undertaker's machine was standing in front of a garage when Mr. Ruston and several assistants and detectives drove by. They halted to question the driver, but he darted away at top speed.

When the automobile finally was overtaken, the driver said he was Frank Garamita, of 206 Melrose Street, Brooklyn. He declared that he did not know the contents of the several boxes he was carting to an address on Sackett Street which he said he had forgotten. Examination of the boxes showed that each contained two five-gallon cans of alcohol, which was analyzed by Charles Wagner, the prosecutor's chemist.

200 Gallons Found in Raid
Last night Assistant District Attorney Snyder led a raid on the plant of the Usonia Toilet Laboratories, at 40 to 42 Verona Street, in the Red Hook section, and after smashing in the doors said they found 200 gallons of denatured alcohol and 100 gallons that had been reprocessed. They allege that only one single piece of machinery for legitimate manufacturing was found. And that was a rusty, little-used mixer. The police say the tins and liquor seized are similar to the containers found earlier in the day in the undertaker's machine.

While numerous persons prominent on the stage and screen were lunching at the Knickerbocker Grill, Broadway and Forty-second Street, yesterday, seven Federal prohibition officers raided the restaurant. They spent two hours searching the grill room, kitchen, cellars, hallways, closets and lockers and were unable to find any liquor. Federal Judge Stanton took under advisement yesterday a petition by William Hayward, United States District Attorney, to permit the government to search and padlock for a year the premises of the Paradise Restaurant, formerly Reinecke's, at Eighth Avenue and Fifty-ninth Street.

Banker Called to Testify
Colonel Hayward called as a witness, Captain G. Raymond Noyes, a banker, of 22 East Sixty-second Street. The banker proved a most reluctant witness. Under pressure of much questioning he finally admitted that he had given six private parties in the Paradise Restaurant between August 23 and September 8.

Captain Noyes said he was a Yale man and had served with the A. E. F. abroad. He admitted the parties were held during the early morning hours and that they had been expensive. He identified six checks totaling \$2,500. He said they covered expenses and were exclusive of generous gifts which he tendered to the jazz orchestra to keep the jazz jangling.

Pressed by Colonel Hayward, Noyes declared that champagne had been consumed by his guests. "I am sure it was champagne," he testified. "I drank several glasses and found it exhilarating."

John Wagner, president of the company operating the Paradise, testified that he was positive no liquors had been sold at the restaurant. He said Mr. Noyes had drunk sparkling cider.

**New York Men Held
In Bond Theft Case**

Special Dispatch to The Tribune
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Sept. 22.—Bonds valued at \$16,500, seized in the Penbody Hotel raid when three New Yorkers were arrested charged with illegal possession of government securities, were stolen, the police said today. The securities were taken in holdups at Galien, Mich., and Mondovi, Wis., in March, 1921.

More than \$100,000 in bonds were stolen in the two holdups. The men arrested are booked as N. T. Arvidson, National Bonded Coal Company, 130 West Forty-second Street, New York; Frank H. Pringle, Caryville, N. Y.; and 508 State Street, Brooklyn; W. J. Pierce, 300 West Fifty-fourth Street, New York. They are held on Federal warrants and will be arraigned tomorrow.

Capture of the three men broke up an organized gang of "fences" and "runners" and disrupted plans to bring a fortune in bonds to Memphis for disposal, according to the officials.

**\$10,000 Loot From Autos
Found in Suspect's Room**

Frederick A. Lester, who was locked up yesterday at the East Fifty-first Street police station as the thief who has been stealing bags from automobiles parked in the vicinity of Park, Madison and Fifth avenues, in the 40's, since May, has admitted his guilt, according to the police.

He confined himself to that district, he said, because the most expensive cars were to be found there, and it was fair to assume that bags left in them would contain articles of value. He had regular business hours, he said, and confined himself to them.

Fifteen pawn tickets found in his room at 510 West End Avenue were for plunder he had pawned, he said. He said he only pawned enough to pay his current expenses and saved the rest for a rainy day. Twelve bags, the contents of which the police valued at \$10,000, were found in his room.

**Gas Rate Cut Ordered
In 60 New York Cities**

ALBANY, Sept. 22.—A reduction of five cents a thousand cubic feet in gas rates in more than sixty cities and towns of New York State was ordered today by the Public Service Commission. Twenty-three companies supplying gas to municipalities are affected by the order, which becomes operative October 15. A change in the standard of gas to 537 British thermal units also is directed.

The cut ordered to-day, coupled with those ordered a week ago in Rochester, Syracuse and other up-state cities affect twenty-eight gas companies. A statement by the commission said that the reduction in the thermal units, on the average, amounted for about one-half the reduction ordered in the rates.

Princeton Admissions To Ignore Race Issue

PRINCETON, N. J., Sept. 22.—The admission applications to Princeton University have undergone no important change this year, it was announced here today.

In response to a question regarding selective measures for students entering the university, President Hibben said: "Princeton admission applications do not include questions regarding race, color or change in name of the applicant."

Rector's Death Believed Due To Blackmail

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murderer sat in the tonneau of the car. The bullet that killed the clergyman entered his head about three inches above the rear of his ear and emerged at his chin.

Mrs. Harry McCabe, wife of the tender of landing bridge, has said—and her story has not been shaken—that she heard a woman's voice, shrill, urgent, talking rapidly. Simultaneously she heard another woman crying, at times bitterly. Then the cries merged in a scream that ended abruptly.

Mrs. Estelle Jones, who also lives in George Street in a house fronting on the river, heard the screams, and a short time later heard two automobiles racing madly along Easton Avenue past the Phillips place, heard them slow up for the narrow, twisting landing bridge and then sweep past her house in George Street and on to the campus of Rutgers.

Puzzled by State of Bodies
The investigators are asking themselves who might have felt impelled to arrange the clothing of the two victims, laying their bodies side by side and covering their faces with hat and scarf. Dr. Hall's spectacles were in place as though he had adjusted them just before lying down. But the back of his clerical coat was ripped and torn as if his limp body had been hauled by the shoulders from an automobile to the spot where it was found. The deliberation with which the bodies were placed would account for the presence of the ejected automatic car-

tridge shells. Three or four of these might easily have been gathered from the floor of the car and tossed out where the bodies lay. One of them was recovered by the undertaker when he changed the clothing on the body of Dr. Hall, substituting for the torn coat the calico surplice and stole of his clerical office.

In propounding this theory of the manner of luring Dr. Hall to that lonely scene the authorities are reasoning that this man, known to all and honored by all in New Brunswick, would have realized that to be seen in the company of a married woman at the hopelessly compromised spot would have lost him every shred of reputation. No matter what his relations may have been with Mrs. Mills, few persons can be made to believe that Dr. Hall would have gone to the Phillips farm to meet her. There he would have had many expressions of confidence in the honesty of his purpose that night.

Church Stands By Rector
The vestrymen of the Church of St. John the Evangelist have formally declared their confidence in the dead rector twice since the finding of his body. They met again to-night and adopted this resolution:

"The wardens and vestry of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, now assembled in meeting, wish to express their heartfelt sorrow in the death of their dear rector, Edward Wheeler Hall, and who wish to emphasize their continued faith and trust in him, believe him to have been loyal and true to his God and the church, and in a copy of this resolution be sent to his widow and family and the press and be spread upon the minutes."

C. E. D. PHELPS,
Senior Warden.
"H. L. BARTHOLOMEW,"
Junior Warden.
"For the Vestry."
Prosecutor Stricker declined to-day to discuss the murder, but his assistant, John Toolan, who is entirely in accord with some of the other official investigators, made this declaration: "The motive was jealousy and revenge. Evidence of the utmost importance has been uncovered. It shows a deliberate planning of the crime. We are, in my opinion, close to the guilty people."

Mills Back at Work
James Mills, in khaki overalls, returned to his work as janitor at the Phillips school, across the street from his home. Whether his job was to him has not been made clear. To-night, for the first time, Mills expressed a definite opinion about the murder of his wife.

"It was a woman," he said. "Some woman who had no right to be jealous. I have no idea who, but there were many women in the church who resented the favors shown my wife by both Dr. Hall and his wife. I've been grilled three times. Each time they asked me, 'Did it. I wish to God I did it.'"

\$500,000 Booze Running Charge Involves Police

Seizure of Ship in Spanish
Port Brings Out
Weird Tales of Smug-
gling and Gun Play

Alcohol Landed Here

Officials of Globe Line
Under Indictment on
Stories Told by Officers

Weird rum-running adventures of the more or less good ship Korona, now held by the Spanish government in the harbor of Cadiz, are to be narrated in detail from the witness stand in a Federal court at some time in the near future, it was announced yesterday by Francis A. McGurk, Assistant District Attorney, who, with the Customs Office, has been investigating the vessel's activities and persons charged with responsibility for them.

According to evidence in the possession of Mr. McGurk, substantiated in part by a letter written by four of the ship's officers from Cadiz, the Korona, which was placed under Peruvian registry by her owners, the Globe Line, formerly of 150 Broadway, sailed from New York Harbor last March under false clearance papers, presumably bound for Greece, but in reality for Block Island, where it is alleged, between \$500,000 and \$800,000 worth of export alcohol was unloaded on waiting barges.

Then, it is charged, the vessel proceeded to Bermuda, where she remained a month for repairs, took a cargo of whisky, and returned to Block Island for a repetition of spirits smuggling.

Policemen Accused as Aids
Throughout the proceedings, it was charged in the letter from Cadiz, there ran a tale of dark high-sea doings, beginning with hard-boiled gunmen declared to have stood over the ship's officers with pistols and forced them to smuggle energetically, if not cheerfully, and ending with various members of the crew stranded without funds on foreign shores, and with no waives in sight.

But perhaps the most interesting part of the narrative to New Yorkers was the following excerpt from the letter from Cadiz:

"The alcohol, we have been advised, was landed in Newtown Creek section and that eighteen uniformed policemen discarded their coats and caps to help in the transfer of the alcohol from the barges to the waiting motor trucks."

Police Commissioner Enright declined to comment on this portion of

the document when reporters asked for a statement yesterday. Assistant District Attorney McGurk, one of the moving spirits in the affairs of the Globe Line, which went out of business when its dictaments were returned in the Korona case recently, was Captain Mark L. Gilbert, who built clipper ships in New England so long ago that he still considers steamships new-fangled nonsense.

Anyway, It's an Outrage
"If there was any rum-running from the Korona it must have been done by the captain and his crew," the captain said yesterday. "There were two of 'em. No member of the crew or official of the line would stoop to such a thing."

"Any way, when the Shipping Board is allowed to sell a man a drink outside the three-mile limit, what right has the dry navy to pick on our poor little ship? And if the Korona flew the Peruvian flag and was bound from Cuba to Greece, how come that it was seized in a Spanish port? It's an outrage, I say."

"The whole trouble was that we couldn't pay off the crew entirely at Cadiz, due to a lot of sailors' misfortunes. It was a rum—er, a bad go all 'round."

In addition to Captain Gilbert, Aaron Avrutis, president of the Globe Line; George Hershfield, an official, and a number of employees of the line and ship's barge and tug officers and crew members are under two indictments, charging conspiracy to smuggle 500 cases of liquor into the United States and the other charging conspiracy to illegally enter the United States and import 1,000 gallons of spirits without paying duty.

**Enright Says Only Merit
Counts in Department**

**Tells Rookies to Maintain
Police Record for Service
and Bravery**

Meritorious service is the only thing that counts in winning advancement in the Police Department now, Commissioner Enright told sixty-four rookies graduating from the police training school yesterday afternoon.

"Keep your escutcheon clean," he told the graduates at the gymnasium at Police Headquarters. "Public opinion is with you, and this has not always been so. Keep up the good record of the department for service and bravery. In fifty years only one man has been stripped of his uniform because of cowardice, but many have died in the performance of heroic deeds."

The regulation revolver offered as a trophy to the student with the highest number of merits in the two months' training was presented to Albert L. Williamson, of Woodhaven, Queens.

Stillman Decision Delayed
POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Sept. 22.—Daniel J. Gleason, referee in the James A. Stillman divorce suit, said to-day he would not file his decision at Carmel, Putnam County, on September 25, as he had contemplated. Mr. Gleason said he would file his report here late next week.

Enright Wants Fast Fleet to Get Rum Boats

Commissioner Asks for \$77-
500 to Buy Five Launches
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the Harbor Bootleggers

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Chasing Craft Make Only
Eight Miles an Hour

Police Commissioner Enright wants to catch up with the rum runners in and around New York Harbor. With the present slow boats in use by the department for such purposes the Commissioner admits the chase is useless. A request for an appropriation of \$77,500 for fast boats to apprehend bootleggers in the harbor was made yesterday to the Board of Estimate by the Commissioner. He wants two launches capable of thirty miles an hour and two of twenty. The estimated cost of these four launches is \$70,000.

"I also request," wrote the commissioner, "a special appropriation for the purchase of one twenty-five foot open cabin launch equipped with an engine capable of maintaining a speed of twenty-five miles an hour. Approximate cost \$7,500. At the present time the Police Commissioner is equipped with one tug (Manhattan), one high-powered launch (Blue Boy), and eight low-powered launches. Three of these launches are worn out and are out of commission and will be condemned. The remaining launches are capable of maintaining a speed of only eight miles an hour. Application has been made in the budget for 1923 for an appropriation of \$20,000 to thoroughly overhaul, reconstruct and repair the tug Manhattan."

"Criminals engaged in various lines of activity and bootleggers extensively engaged in the violation of Federal and state prohibition laws are, to a large extent, operating in high-powered boats, launches or yachts in and about the harbor of the city. With the pres-

ent equipment the Police Department is unable to successfully cope with these criminals and violators of the law."

The Commissioner's request was referred to the committee of the whole. The board voted \$1,750,000 in corporate stock upon the request of the Transit Commission with which to meet interest charges upon the city-owned subway covered under the dual subway contracts. The commission submitted a contract for approval providing for structural changes in the Queensborough Plaza subway station, to accommodate transit of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, which uses the tube jointly with the Interborough. The tube will not at present

accommodate the ten-foot-wide cars of the B. E. T. The proposed alterations will cost \$107,570. At the request of the Mayor the matter was laid over until next week's meeting.

A delegation of more than four hundred residents of Queens came to the City Hall in sight-seeing buses and appeared before the board to object to the creation of a proposed incinerator at Atlantic Avenue, between 1024 and 104th streets, Richmond Hill. The board agreed to change the location of the incinerator to Bergen's Landing, Jamaica Bay.

A request from the Board of Civil Welfare for an additional appropriation of \$1,012,190 to meet the requirements of the "widow" pension allowance for the remainder of the year, was referred to the committee of the whole.

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A comparison between some of the schedules in the new tariff bill and those of the last two regular tariffs is the main feature of the leading article in THE LITERARY DIGEST this week. It will give the reader a satisfactory idea of what the increases in prices, if any, will be in the future.

Many Republican newspapers insist that the new tariff laws will ward off such a period of hard times as would have come after the enactment of the Underwood tariff had it not been for the outbreak of the great war. Already, says the Hartford *Courant*, "our markets are being flooded with cheap products from Europe, and without a protective tariff the flood would become a deluge." The Newark *Sunday Call* argues that "except in isolated instances where the duty on one class of goods is out of proportion to other duties, tariffs will not change the relative value of goods to another, that is, it will not raise real prices." Of course, this paper continues, it will add to inflation just as any tax would. "We are

going to have both tariff and income taxes, but the more we have of a reasonable tariff the less we shall have of income taxes, and since there must be inflation it matters little whether it is caused by a tariff or by some other tax."

There are other Republican papers, notably the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*, that declare that the legislation "is a grave blunder, as dangerous politically as it is economically." The Buffalo *Commercial* does not hesitate to say that "in its opinion it is a bad bill," which "will have the effect of unwarrantably increasing the cost of living."

Prominent Democratic newspapers all agree that the effect of the new tariff will be to increase the cost of living and to make Democratic votes this fall and two years hence. The Raleigh *News and Observer* is delighted with the New York *Herald's* designation of the new bill as "the damn fool tariff" and adds "that is what the people will be calling it when they find that it imposes burdens of indirect taxation of \$3,000,000,000 upon them and opens no markets for their surplus farm and factory products." This news-feature in THE LITERARY DIGEST this week, September 23d, is illustrated with cartoons depicting various opinions upon the tariff legislation.

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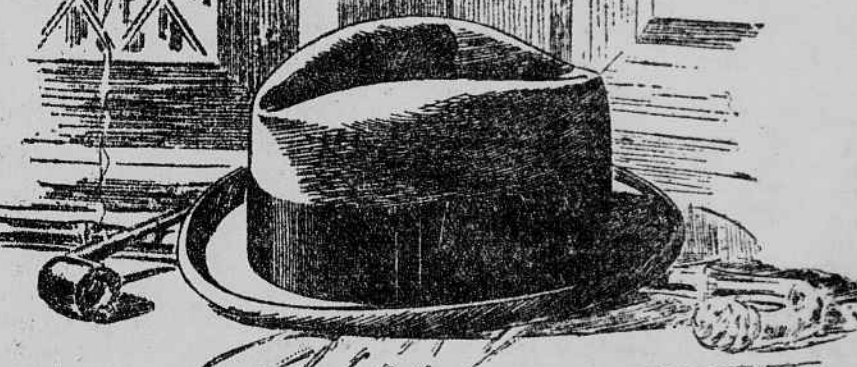
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